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FROM: J. Tyler McCauley 
Auditor-Controller

SUBJECT: **GROUP HOME PROGRAM MONITORING REPORT – SUMMER
PLACE, INCORPORATED - SUMMER PLACE GROUP HOME**

We have completed a review of Summer Place Group Home (Group Home or Agency) operated by Summer Place, Incorporated. The Group Home contracts with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Probation Department (Probation).

Summer Place Group Home is a six-bed facility, which provides care for girls ages 10-17 years who exhibit behavioral, social, and emotional difficulties. At the time of the monitoring visit, Summer Place Group Home was not providing services for any Los Angeles County children.

Summer Place Group Home is located in the San Bernardino County.

Scope of Review

The purpose of the review is to evaluate the Agency's facility and environment. Additionally, since Summer Place Group Home was not providing services for any Los Angeles County children at the time of our visit, the monitoring review covered basic child safety and licensing issues and included only a facility inspection.

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Summary of Findings

Summer Place Group Home needs to repair or replace the sofa, loveseat, dining room chairs, kitchen sink, and bedroom floors; and repair the patio floor, dining room ceiling, and clean the bathroom shower and tub.

Attached is a detailed description of our inspection of the facility.

Review of Report

We discussed our report with the Agency's management. In response to the recommendations made in the report, the Agency's management completed a corrective action plan (attached) which we approved. We thank the management and staff for their cooperation during our review.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Mike Pirolo at (626) 293-1110.

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Attachments

c: David E. Janssen, Chief Administrative Officer
Patricia S. Ploehn, Director, DCFS
Robert B. Taylor, Chief Probation Officer
James Dubose, Executive Director, Summer Place Group Home
Public Information Office
Audit Committee

**Summer Place, Incorporated
Summer Place Group Home
2027 Deodar Street
Ontario, California 91764
Phone: (909) 945-2736
License Number: 360911286
Rate Classification Level: 8**

I. Facility and Environment

Method of assessment – Observation

Comments:

Summer Place Group Home is located in a residential community. The exterior of the Group Home is well maintained. The front and back yards are clean and adequately landscaped. However, the patio floor is damaged.

Overall, the interior of the Group Home is well maintained. The common quarters are neat and clean. There is adequate furniture and lighting in the Group Home. The Group Home provides a home-like environment. However, the living room sofa, loveseat, dining room chairs, and ceiling are damaged. The kitchen sink is worn and the bathroom shower and tub are dirty.

Generally, the children's bedrooms are well maintained. The rooms are clean and orderly and have age-appropriate personalized decorations. There is adequate furniture, lighting, and storage space. Window coverings and window screens are in good repair. The mattresses are comfortable, and the beds all have a full complement of linens. Children's sleeping arrangements are appropriate. However, the bedroom floors are damaged.

The Group Home maintains age appropriate and accessible recreational equipment. There are also board games, a TV, and a DVD player. Books and resource materials, including a computer with a variety of programs, are also available.

The Group Home maintains a sufficient supply of perishable and non perishable foods.

Recommendations

1. Summer Place management:

- a. Repair the patio floor.**
- b. Repair or replace the sofa, loveseat, dining room chairs.**
- c. Repair the dining room ceiling.**

- d. Repair or replace the kitchen sink.**
- e. Clean the shower and tub.**
- f. Repair or replace the bedroom floors.**

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Friday, December 08, 2006

Candace Rhue,
County Of Los Angeles
Department Of Auditor-Controller
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Date of Report: Friday, December 08, 2006

Dear Mrs. Rhue,

I am initiating a corrective action plan due to the recent evaluation on November 6th, 2006. One of the facilities main objectives is to maintain the facility clean, safe and sanitary at all times. We have upheld a great reputation with The Department of Children and Family Services. Our previous evaluations with Community Care Licensing have also been positive with few citations. We appreciate the evaluation and will uphold the required regulations to ensure the best care for our residents.

Corrective Action:

1. **Section A)** We certify that the facility has cleared and repaired the patio floors. (Please see attached photos)
2. **Section B)** We certify that Summerplace has received thru donation from Raylene Reyes management a (Sofa & Loveseat) in good condition with no tears and or rips (please see attached photo). Dining room chairs were also donated by Mrs. Reyes in good condition with no rips/ and or tears, (please see attached photo).
3. **Section C)** We certify that the dining room ceiling has been repaired. (Please see attached photo).
4. **Section D)** We certify that the kitchen sink has been replaced with a new sink (Please see attached photo and receipt).

5. Section E) We certify that the shower and tub have been cleaned.(Please see attached photo).

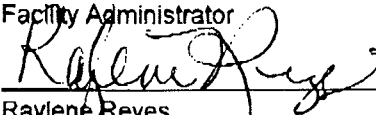
6. Section F) We certify that all 3 bedroom floors have been replaced with new flooring.(Please see attached photo and receipt).

We certify that we have corrected all the items above, according to community care licensing regulation, and the Department Of Children And Family Services. Thankyou for your time and informative information. If you have further questions please feel free to contact me at the above number or my cell at (909)938-9840

Sincerely,



Tina Klock,
Facility Administrator



Raylene Reyes,
Facility Manager